Calling Attention to matters of urgent Public importance

(i) *re* : loss of Lives and properties due to rains in Coorg District

Sri N. LOKAYYA NAIK (Virajpet)—I call the attention of the Hon. Minister for Revenue to the loss of lives and properties due to heavy rains recently in Coorg District.

†Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—Sir, there were heavy rains in Coorg District in the last week of July 1969 causing loss of lives and damage to crops and other properties. About 74 villages have been affected by flood havoc in this district. Crops in an area of 300 acres have been damaged. The total loss is estimated at Rs. 3,00,000. The number of houses damaged is 21 resulting in an estimated loss of about Rs. 20,000. The loss of human lives and cattle is 8 and 20 respectively. Damages to public utilities is of the order of Rs. 2,00,000.

The Tahsildars and Assistant Commissioners have been instructed by the Deputy Commissioner, Coorg, to provide relief to the sufferers. Apart from the normal budgetary provision of Rs. 30,000, an additional amount of Rs. 50,000 has been allotted to the Deputy Commissioner, Coorg, for granting gratuitous relief to the victims of flood. Besides, a sum of Rs. 1,50,000 has been placed at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner, Coorg, for providing loan assistance to the sufferers of flood.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಲೋಕಯ್ಯನಾಯಕ್.—8 ಜನರು ನತ್ತು ಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆಂದು ನಾನು ಹೇಳಿದೆ. ಆ ಕುಟುಂಬವರ್ಗದವರಿಗೆ ಯಾವರೀತಿ ನೆರವು ನೀಡಿದೆಯೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಳಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಈಗ ಯಾವ್ಯಾವ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಅನಾಹುತವಾಗಿದೆಯೋ ಅಂತಹ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಈ ವರ್ಷದ ಕಂದಾಯವನ್ನು ಮಾಫಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI.—So far as loss of lives is concerned, if I am right 7 persons unfortunately lost their lives only in one family and some cash relief is given to their heirs. I do not know the exact amount. Other reliefs are also given. As regard remission of land revenue, the matter will be considered later on. The time is not opportune now.

(ii) Procession of the Bangalore University Students at Bangalore during August 1969

Sri S. GOPALA GOWDA (Thirthahalli).—I call the attention of the Minister for Education to the procession taken out by the students of Bangalore University on 15th August 1969 towards Vidhana Soudha.

† Sri N. M. KOTRABASAIAH SOGI (Deputy Minister for Education).—Sir, on 14th August 1969 a certain number of students of Bangalore University struck work and marched in procession from the premises of the Central College towards Vidhana Soudha. One Sri H. D. Gangaraj, President, Bangalore University Students Council,